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Born in the northern CNR town of Nakina, Ontario, Rene Meshake has an educational background in graphic design and micro-computers. He is a member of many of his local visual and creative arts groups. He enjoys painting without any structure or editing and finds that if he lets the brush go, the painting will develop a character of its own, and a story will unfold.

"Salvation comes in form of a fish, an animal, a man, a woman, or a child. Each one would set me free, little by little, from a tribe of mainstream art critics with their boundaries and definitions. I've been to their art school and it has taken a lot of work to shake some of the old ideas of what classic art should look like."

Classic or not, Rene's work is Anishnabeg, depicting his culture, intensifying and safeguarding it, by using his talents and skills as Nokomis, his grandmother taught him.

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There's still lots of summer fun left

THINGS TO DO

- Thursdays: Kids Crafts at Dorset Recreation Centre, Main Street, Dorset, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., ages 5 - 12, \$3 per child.
- Thursdays: Minden Minor League Softball, 6:30 to 8 p.m., ages 4 to 16 years. Diamonds behind arena in Minden. Free pickup ball or T-ball. Equipment supplied but bring your glove. Younger children must be accompanied by parent, parents join in. Grant Shaw, 35-286-4240.
- Thursday nights at 6:30 join the Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers as they gather with their antique and antique cars. Meeting places alternate between Kawartha Dairy in Minden (August 24, September 7) and the town docks in Haliburton (August 1, Sept. 14)
- until Sept. 4: Scottish Country Dancers meet at Stanhope Community Hall, Monday evenings, 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. All welcome. Non-member \$2. Contact 705-86-1218 or 705-447-2764.
- until Sept. 2: Shelley Beach Watercolours and watercolour monoprints, Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton Village, 705-457-2330.
- until Aug. 24: School age activities at 2 p.m., C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre. Paper Bag Animals - materials provided free by C.H.A.C.E.
- Aug. 23 & 30: Scrabble Sessions, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wilberforce Heritage Guild Red Cross Outpost, County Road 648 in downtown Wilberforce. Join in a friendly game of scrabble. Coffee, tea. Contact Hilda Clark, 705-448-2018.
- Aug. 24: Square dancing, 7 to 9:30 p.m., Haliburton Region, Mountain Street, \$10/couple or \$5/single. Spectators free. Mainstream level, square dance dress optional.
- Aug. 25: Join Home Support in the drop-in centre, at 1 p.m. for cribbage. Additional information, 457-2941.
- Aug. 25: Music by the Gull: Outside Minden Post Office - bring a lawn chair, 7 p.m., features Kidd Country.
- Aug. 26: Kash End of Summer Dash. Begins and ends at Wigamog Inn, North Kashagawigamog Lake Rd., village of Haliburton. 1 km. Kids Fun Run 3 p.m. 10 Km. Road Race 4 p.m. BBQ and party for participants to follow runs. Proceeds to support Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief. Contact S. Ferracuti, 705-457-1212.
- Aug. 26: Legion Ladies Auxiliary Flea Market, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, phone 457-1467. Proceeds to community projects.
- Aug. 27: Lochlin Park Old Fashioned Family Fun Day, 1 p.m. to dusk. Live music, class cars display, Lions celebrity dunk tank, face painting, miniature horses, games, prizes, magic show, 50/50 draw, BBQ beef on a bun, corn on the cob, and more. Fun for all ages. Bring your lawn chair.
- Aug. 28: Time for Tots Program, C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre. A "Mother Goose" program for moms and children 2 and under. Circle time, songs and activities. Call 457-2989 for more info.
- Aug. 28 - 31: School age activities at 2 p.m., C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre. Beaded Bracelets - materials provided free by C.H.A.C.E.
- Aug. 29: HCC Real Easy Ryders - Touring Schedule - 10:30. Destination: Burnt River, Fenelon Falls. Distance: 20 km from Trailer Park (Level: Novice). Start: Log Chateau Trailer Park. Distance 42 km (Level: Intermediate). Start Burnt River Park at River. Surface: Railway Bed. Trail Captain: Vic and Ruth Orr, 454-2690. Restaurant - Bistro Into The Shade.
- Aug. 30: Look for the Yellow Canopy with artists showcasing their many talents, Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., weather permitting, downtown Haliburton. Aug. 30 features Sheila Ziman, fibre weaving and basketry.
- Aug. 30: Join Home Support's Wheels to Meals at Rip's, West Guilford, 12 noon. 457-2941.
- Aug. 31: Barbecue in the Park, 11 - 2, Haliburton Rotary Park. Burgers and hot dogs for sale, activities and lots of fun! Hosted by C.H.A.C.E. Haliburton Resource Centre.
- Aug. 31 - Sept. 16: Art Exhibit - Happiness is Colour. The delightfully vibrant paintings of June Olga Anderson, Agnes Jamies Gallery, Minden, 705-286-3763.
- Sept. 2: Yard and Bake Sale to be held at the Gooderham United Church, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sept. 2: Wilberforce Legion Dance, approx. 9 p.m., Wilberforce Legion Branch 624 just past Wilberforce towards Harcourt, on County Road 648. 705-448-2221.
- Sept. 2: Minden & District Lionsess and Lions Club Annual Ducky Race, begins at Beaverbrook Golf Course and ends at Main St. bridge, Minden. Ducks in the water at 1 p.m.
- Sept. 3: Hog Roast, Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, County Road 7. Food and fun for the whole family. Adults \$17, children \$5. Contact 705-754-2198.

• Sept. 9: HHHS Foundation Gala Dinner and Dance, Wigamog Inn, Haliburton. Support your hospitals, contact 705-457-1580.

• Sept. 15: Stewardship Series: An informative, day-long workshops for landowners, cottagers, land stewards, and interested individuals. The workshops run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$10/person and pre-registration is required. Sept. 15th topic is "Management Options for your Woodlot" - This hands-on workshop will cover several topics including how to use a prism for determining basal area, assessing tree defects, management options for wildlife and selecting what trees to mark for removal. To pre-register call the Leslie M. Frost Centre, Dorset, at 705-766-2451.

• Sept. 9 - 23: Christina Luck and Hans-Hartwig Niemann and Wendy Melbye. Bass wood sculpture, pottery and encaustic abstract oil paintings, Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton. Info. call 457-2330.



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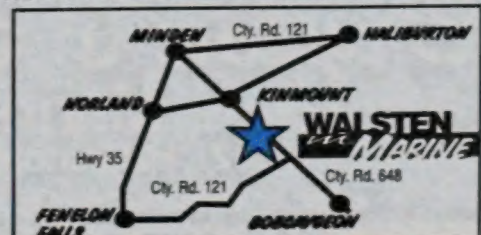
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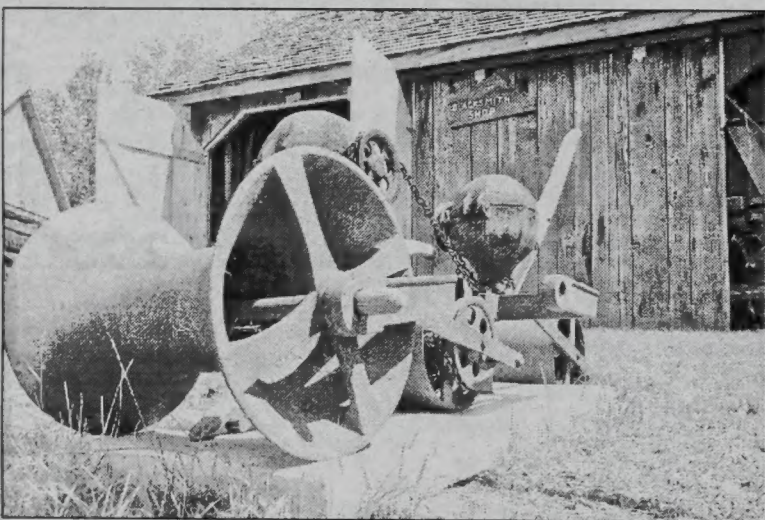
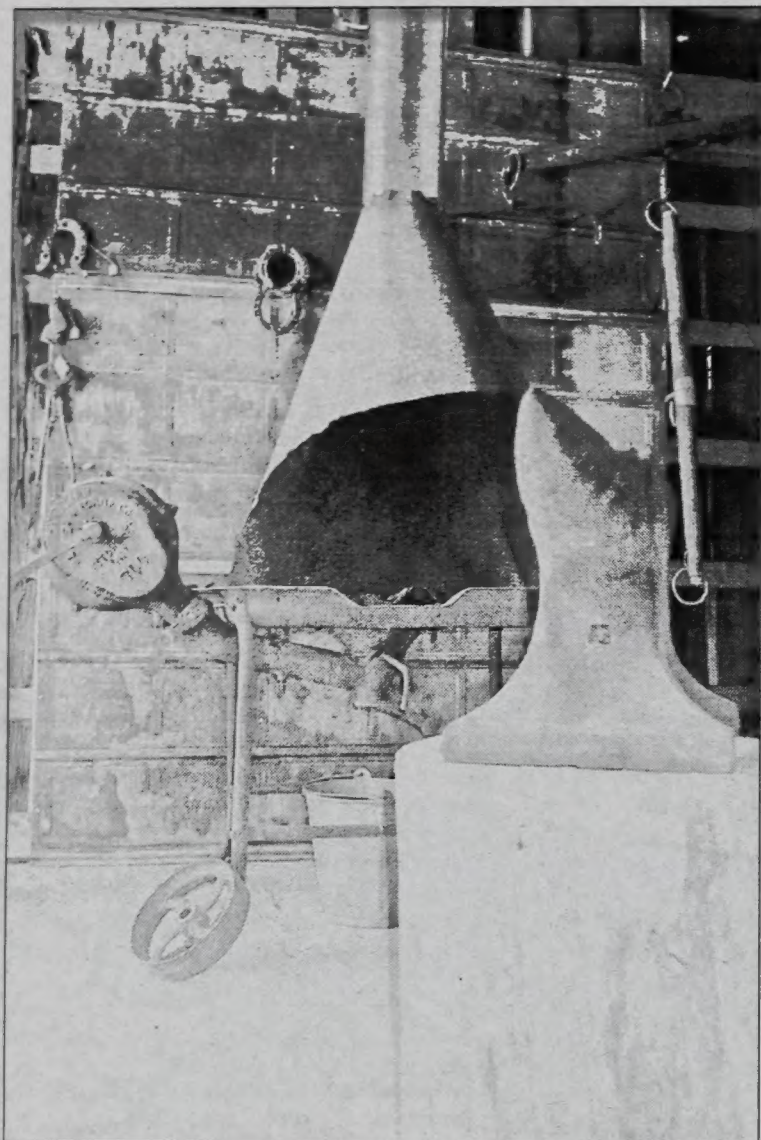
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Paul Ferguson
HIGHLANDS LIFE

Minden Museum forges new exhibits

THE COUNTY TOWN MUSEUM in Minden has expanded and now includes a blacksmith's shop and a new exhibit building.

The old drive shed that used to house some of the larger farm equipment has been moved outside, thus leaving room for a blacksmith's shop.

Norm Bunker volunteered his time to help set up the shop and co-ordinator Linda Lickiss says he was like a man on a mission when he started.

"When he decided to do it you better get out of his way. He gave us a week to clear out all the stuff and it only took him two days to pull it all together," she says.

The shop is filled with artifacts such as anvils and tools, but there is still a need for more. Lickiss says they have asked the community for some donations, but have not received anything as of yet.

Walking into the shop you're overwhelmed by a sense of history. Pictures fill your mind of men whacking away at a heated piece of metal bending it into position. Tools hang from the ceiling and wall, and the fireplace just sits there, almost begging to be sparked up. (This may happen as there are plans to have some demonstrations in the future.)

As for the newly renovated exhibit building, you can spot something new every time you visit.

The idea for the building came up a couple years ago, but it wasn't until this spring that things fell into place. The interior of building was completely renovated by the Lions and Leo Clubs,

who did the drywalling, taping, painting and the insulation.

The exhibit building now resembles the main street in Minden. In one corner there is a barber shop, complements of Jerry who owns a barber shop in Minden.

In another section of the building there's a doctor's corner, which includes an examination table



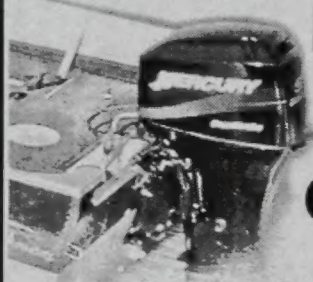
The new blacksmith shop, at left, is complemented by a new exhibit building that re-creates Minden's main street businesses of a time gone by, above.

and many other old artifacts. There is also a general store, filled with old bottles, sledges, skates, calendars all organized on shelves.

So far the museum has been busy this summer, especially on rainy days. They've also been offering children's craft days on Thursdays and a historical walking tours on Friday mornings at 10:30, which also includes a walk through Minden.

The museum will be closed for the season on Thanksgiving weekend.

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Lauren Berezowsky stirs up some of the hundreds of tadpoles she and her family have seen this summer at their Stormy Lake cottage

Erik Martensson
ON THE WATERFRONT

An explosion of TADPOLES

A VERITABLE EXPLOSION of large tadpoles turned the water in Stormy Lake black this past summer. Residents of the lake say that they saw thousands of them when they look off their docks.

"We've never had them like this," says Bonnie Berezowsky, who has been cottaging on the lake for eight years. "We've never really seen any in the past, never like this."

The large finger-length tadpoles arrived in the early weeks of June and soon covered the rocks on shore.

"There's an overabundance. We think they are bullfrog tadpoles," says Berezowsky.

Dana Kinsman of the Ministry of Natural Resources office in Minden spoke with the MNR's amphibian expert, Tim Haxton, about the situation.

"Nobody can definitively tell you what's going on. But what he's guessing is this hasn't been a good spring for tadpoles and frogs. The last couple of years have

been very good and green and bull frogs usually stay in the tadpole stage for about two years, but it can be up to four or five years. What we're seeing is what we're reaping from those last couple of good warm springs and summers in the water for frogs."

Berezowsky had wondered if the excess of tadpoles was due to the large rock bass derbies that her husband and others organised for the lake association. The derbies have been taking place for the past three years and is estimated that they removed 200 pounds of rock bass per year.

"I seriously doubt it," says Kinsman. "You have got to remove a significant number of rock bass on an annual basis to really make an impact. But I don't doubt it may have made some contribution. There'd probably be a number of things that add up cumulatively. That's our best guess as to what is going on. It's just pure guesswork."

Help keep the bite out of mosquito season

Although the summer may be drawing to a close, there are still a few weeks left before the end of this year's bug season. Help reduce the mosquito population by eliminating areas around your yard and house where mosquitoes can breed.

- don't allow any outside water to stand for more than four days.
- cover rainwater barrels with mesh or screen.
- don't allow water to collect in any unused containers by either turning them over, drilling holes in the bottom or bringing them inside.
- remove or drain any standing water from bird baths, discarded tires, flower pots or wheelbarrows left outside.
- immediately remove any water that collects on pool covers.
- turn over children's wading pools when not in use.
- clear leaves and twigs from eavestroughs, storm and roof gutters through the summer.
- make sure drainage ditches are not clogged.
- immediately throw away lawn cuttings, raked leaves and other decaying items such as apples or berries that fall from trees and place them in sealed garbage bags.
- turn over compost on a regular basis.
- remove areas such as dense shrubbery where mosquitoes breed and rest.
- try to keep mosquitoes out of the house by ensuring that door and window screens fit tightly and do not have holes.

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A Life in the Bush: lessons from my father
Roy MacGregor
Viking, Penguin 1999
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PERHAPS IT WAS THE RESULT of Roy MacGregor's observation and analysis of so many other father/son relationships in his Governor General award-nominated, *The Home Team: Fathers, Sons and Hockey*, that got him thinking about his relationship with his own father Duncan MacGregor. Perhaps not. In any case, and for whatever reason, the end result, *A Life in the Bush: lessons from my father*, is a splendid book.

Duncan MacGregor, the father in question, was born in Eganville, in 1907 at the tail-end of the Ontario lumber industry's heyday. By his own admission, he led an uneventful life - having quit school and gone to work in the Algonquin bush as a teenager for his brother-in-law, the Ottawa Valley lumber baron J.S.L. McRae, and never really left it.

While the working conditions at the time made it common for men to leave their families and live on-site at the lumber mills or camps for long periods, most found this an onerous necessity. For Duncan, however, it coalesced happily with his own preferences. Long after transportation and technological improvements made boarding-in unnecessary, he continued to do so, in the end the only logger to live on the mill site.

It seems that Duncan MacGregor remains a significant mystery to his son. The book opens with the author's admission that he "has no idea how or where to begin this story," and ends with a further admission that he "can explain none of it."

The elder man was, indeed, a walking contradiction, a living, breathing oxymoron. A gregarious "people-person," adored by children, Duncan could start up a conversation with anyone, yet he spent, by choice, the majority of his life in a reclusive, solitary existence. Duncan was always "there" for his family, but "there" happened to be miles into Algonquin Park.

An indifferent student, he was, nonetheless,

Kerry Riley
SUMMER READING

less, a voracious reader and possessed an encyclopedic knowledge of world geography, history, and a big chunk of its literature. He had "a curious sprawling mind that captured almost everything that ever passed through it" and "contained no filter, no pretension, no care whatsoever for the class and intellectual breaches that might separate, say, Plutarch's *Parallel Lives*, from Ellery Queen."

Emotionally a man of few words, he got a lot of mileage out of a single syllable - "tsk." Repeated seven times, "tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk," it usually expressed dismay, disapproval, contempt or bewilderment - the equivalent of a "What can I say?" shake of the head. Very occasionally, with a slightly modified inflection, it signaled wonderment. It was, one senses, a sound that his son came to dread.

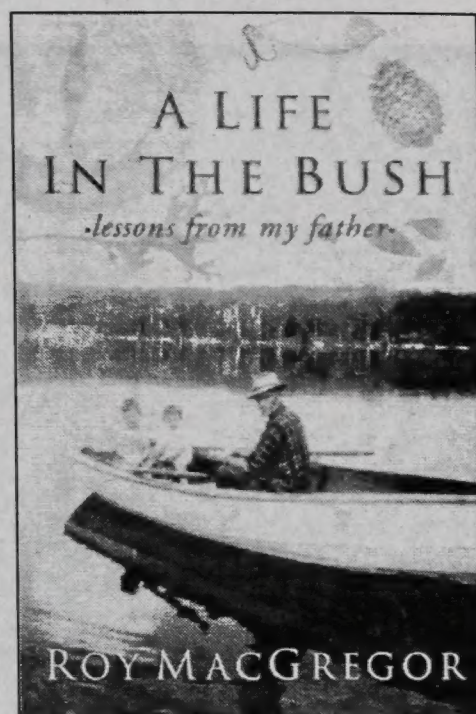
Besides books, fishing, baseball and

hockey were "the old man's" major obsessions, providing ample opportunity in the book for wonderful riffs on all three. Duncan was a gifted fisherman who managed to adapt fly-fishing to the narrow, bush-shrouded rivers of Algonquin, and could "sound" an unfamiliar lake with nothing but his trout line.

Regret is perhaps too strong a word for the emotional undertone which colours MacGregor's exploration of his father's life, but one can't help but feel that, as a child, he took his father's absence personally, chewing over the paradox of a loving, yet absent parent. The fatherly "lessons" he is most acutely aware of seem to be the one's he feels he has mastered most poorly, perhaps disappointing Duncan in the process. "Tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk, tsk," is, I'm sure, all Duncan would have to say about that!

Beyond Duncan's own peculiar psychological makeup, there are more concrete mysteries as well - the single red rose found on his grave a year after his death, and the strange, and inexplicable gathering of wildlife along the route the family took through Algonquin Park on the day of his burial. It was, as Roy MacGregor notes, "quite a turn out."

While this book represents a very individual response to the "uneventful life" of one particular man, Roy MacGregor has, perhaps unintentionally, achieved something quite extraordinary - he has, for the first time in my experience, successfully rendered a distinct Ontario bush archetype who rings true to those (like me) whose family stories are filled with such characters - the one who lurks, half-in, half-out of the subconscious of anyone whose roots spread very far into Ontario,



and certainly Haliburton soil.

The solitary, gentle but essentially inscrutable nature, the self-sufficiency and lack of pretension, the quick mind and keen curiosity about the world (but often little formal education) the deep respect for the written word, the humour, and unexpected talents, coupled with a stubborn physical endurance, preternatural ease in the wilderness, and an affinity for animals - I've known Duncan all my life. He is a perfect amalgam of the grandfathers, great-grandfathers, great uncles and friends, who inhabit our family mythology of pioneering in Ontario - the particular collection of traits (amongst many possible ones) we've spent our lives trying to emulate, and echoes of which, transplanted into a different time, place and social circumstances, we see in our parents and even, perhaps, ourselves. Painted against a backdrop of familiar places and shared experiences, it's our story.

I'm going to dance out to the end of a very long limb and declare this book will increase in importance with time and may one day be recognized as the beginning of a genuine Ontario bush mythology.

Duncan, his son remembers, admired "people who had something to say that was worth remembering." He would have admired this book, and its author.

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Nature's beauty is in the DETAILS

NEWCOMERS to the outdoors have a hard time slowing down. Still caught up in the hustle and bustle of everyday life, they move too fast and see too little. It's easy to do and we're all guilty of it at times. However, experienced outdoorspeople know that the trick to any type of meaningful outdoors experience is to stop and smell the wild roses. The deer could just as easily be here as over the next rise. All you need to do is look.

Two friends and I went on a hike the other day. I don't suppose any of us knew what we were seeking but in the end I was reminded that the details are important. They are the tiles that make up the mosaic of the great outdoors.

Our walk followed a meandering route that took us through a field dominated by goldenrod in bloom. It is a prolific plant that many believe responsible for hay fever. In fact, ragweed, whose pollen is prevalent when goldenrod is in flower, is most often the culprit.

Goldenrod, with delicate clusters of tiny flowers, gives a yellow frosting to fields in August. But there's more out there if you look. Common Mullein is also in the mix. Though introduced, natives and settlers used its velvety leaves to insulate moccasins and stockings. Canada thistles, milkweed, and many others completed the grassland.

Goldfinch flitted around us, crows were in the periphery, and sparrows kept ahead. Monarchs floated over the milkweeds. Caterpillars were on the leaves. We could have spent all day in that field. An area so diverse has an inexhaustible amount of nature lore. But our own nature is to see what's over the next rise, so we moved on. But not before picking raspberries on the edges of the wood lot.

At that transitional zone we found mat-

ted grass where deer bed down, and just as I pointed this out, an antler shed caught my eye. It was solid with four points on it. I smiled, reasonably certain that this came from the eight-point buck that played hide and seek with me during last year's archery season. It's nice to know the old boy made it.

Soon after, we entered the wood lot and headed towards a backwoods wetlands. A summer forest has none of the open light of a field. Instead, dense underbrush and shade from the thick canopy are the norm. Along the old tractor trail, we noted deer track and found a ground den. I'm guessing that it belonged to a fox as it was within sight of a field loaded with field mice, voles, garter snakes, grasshoppers, and other goodies. The fact that I've seen fox in the immediate area bolsters my assumption.

We soon came to the wetlands, really a beaver meadow surrounding a pond. A mallard flushed from the far end and went presumably to the next pond over. We stepped through the sedges on moist ground that is usually flooded by the rains of autumn.

Dragonflies, were everywhere. Soon a large blue one lighted on my forearm like a little bird of prey. As I looked closely, I saw that he was eating one of the small red ones. It was fascinating to see this prey-predator drama being enacted on such a small scale.

It stayed long enough for Derek to get a photo. I'll have to get a field guide that identifies them both. My knowledge of dragonflies isn't what it should be.

But this is what keeps me fascinated with the outdoors. There's a lifetime of learning. Each tidbit gained leads to another question. From dragonflies to cast-off antlers, it's all about details.

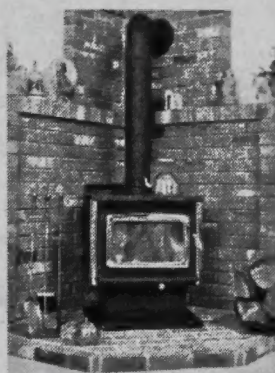
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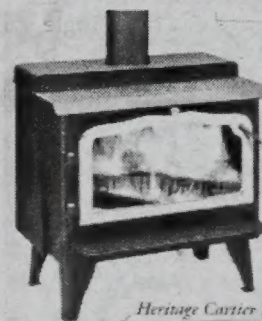
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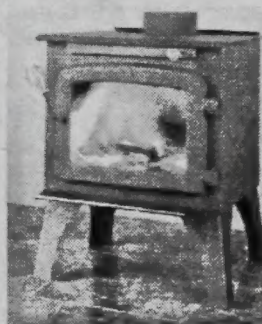
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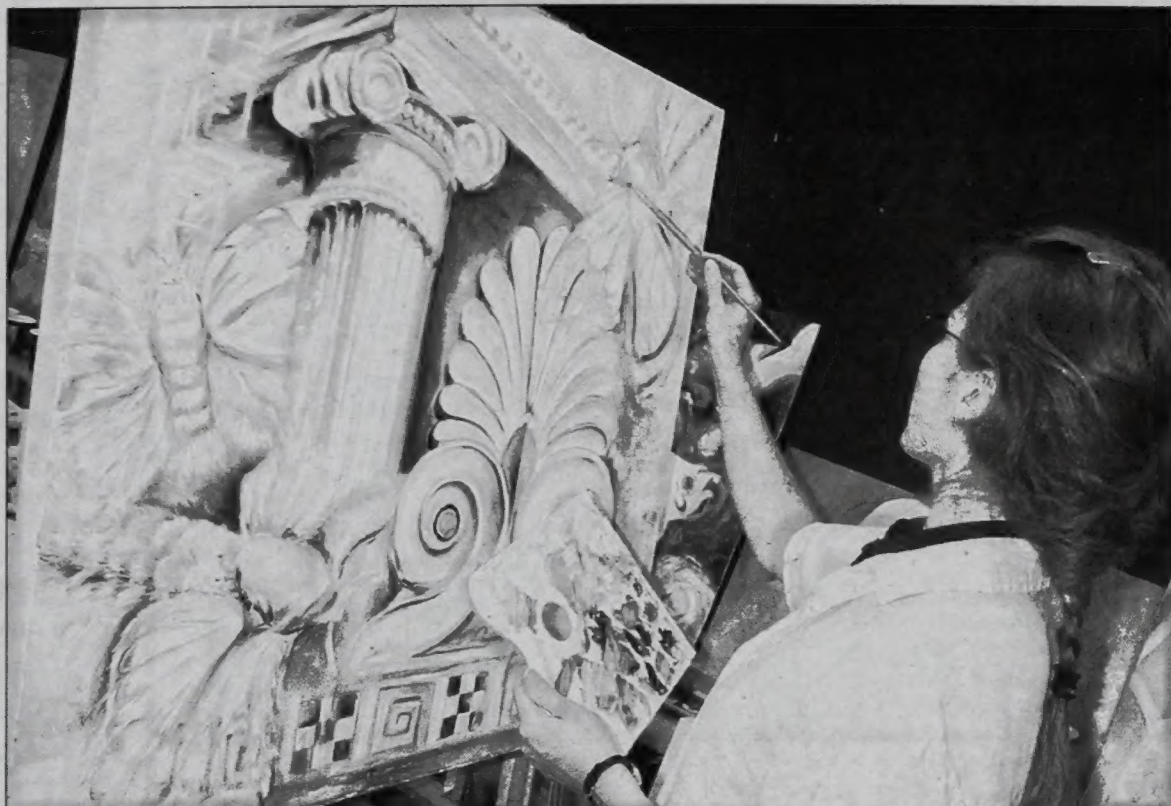
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Many of the Haliburton School of the Arts courses have wound down for the summer, but not before our reporter, Derek Malcolm, took one more walk-about on a Thursday afternoon. Clockwise from top left: an instrument maker; Rose Pearson creating a Grecian garden; a silversmith; an oil painter and a watercolour painter



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A HAPPY ENDING



by DEREK MALCOLM

SLOWLY THE WEANING PROCESS has begun. Entering the final week of my fantastic summer intern voyage at *The Haliburton County Echo*, the annoying finger of city life has started poking me in the ribs.

It started last Thursday morning when the piercing beep of my alarm clock woke me at the ridiculous hour of 5 am, an un-Godly time appreciated only by a breed of fisherman I am not akin to. It was to be a day where I would commune with Haliburton nature for the last time this summer and milk it for all it's worth; just me, the great outdoors... and Erik Martensson of course.

The day began with a peaceful session of bass fishing near Tory Hill with our good friend and *Echo* cohort, Steve Galea. We dipped our canoes in the still waters, enjoyed the calls of elusive loons, and reeled in a modest number of fish before the chilly winds of the morning seemed to scare away our catch.

It brought me great joy to see that some things remained consistent through our whole summer of misadventures as Erik casted with great poise into a tall patch of grass on shore, catching a snag - just like old times! I nearly split a gut laughing at his Yosemite Sam-like curses, and watching him struggle with his line was like watching a kid stuck in a Chinese finger puzzle.

And still, after an entire season of fishing, it seems that I'll always be whining for Steve to tie my line for me, proving without a doubt that I am not a fisherman!

With our canoe securely fastened to the roof of Erik's Toyota, we followed Steve back to his home in Essonville to prepare for the second portion of our day which included a compass and a good ol' hike into the bush.

After Steve's brilliant wife Carol (there's some brownie points) filled us with hot coffee and a ripping cheese omelet, we took to the backwoods for a quick lesson in orienteering from Steve. Manning the compass, I took a southern bearing off in the distance and we started our trek to who knows where. The tall grass was easily as tall as Erik (which would make the grass short I guess), there wasn't a cloud in the sky and we all took a moment to drink in the vast expanse of land and breathe the clean Haliburton air - Ahhhhhh!

Then my cell phone rang.

If looks could kill, I'd be a goner. Erik smacked his palm on his gleaming head in exasperation, producing a sound that would make the Three Stooges proud. There's noth-

ing more annoying than communing with nature, out of reach from mankind, and hearing the high-pitched tweeting of a mobile phone. Apologizing profusely, I turned away and answered. It was my girlfriend calling from Toronto with some news that I'll get into later.

"Yeah honey, that sounds great," I said.

Erik and Derek's MISADVENTURES

"Where am I? I'm in the middle of nowhere with Erik and Steve and if I don't get off the phone right now they're gonna kill me... Love you too, bye."

Running to catch up, we continued our trek.

Walking through the grass and brush, Steve educated Erik and I on the intricacies of this ecosystem, and how everything feeds and supports everything else from the deer that

eat from the forest's edge to the bear that feed on deer. And as we made our way into the dark shaded forest, I couldn't help but notice the similarities between the hinterland and the urban wilderness I was about to return to. I began to recall times where I took a wrong turn down a one way street in Toronto (sometimes it seems that every street is one way) and realized how easy it would be to do the same in the bush.

Walking soon became difficult and the woods got thicker, every metre filled with obstacles to maneuver over or around. I looked ahead at Erik, and noticed his footwork as he dodged a rotted tree stump and hopped over a narrow pit before pushing past a tree branch that swiftly swung back and swatted me in the face. Spitting out the leaves, I thought of the thousands of people I would soon be dodging on my way to the subway, and the turnstiles I would be guarding my privates from as Joe and Jane commuter rush to work.

I snapped out of my urban daydream when we walked into a more open area of woods where Steve had his deer stand set up. A somewhat comfy looking seat and platform was fastened about 20 feet up a tree. I think Steve is grooming Erik as a potential hunting partner, so it was no surprise that Erik was the one making the climb to check out the stand.

And if anyone remembers a previous misadventure on the climbing wall at Camp Wanakita, you might recall that Erik is by no means Spider Man. He tried hooking his legs around posts, got his pants caught, bumped his head, nearly fell a couple times and broke a strap off the bottom of the platform, but dag-nabbit he made it! And that was just getting up there - you should have seen him get down! Let's just say that it's going to be a slow season for Steve.

An hour into our hike, we finally reached our destination. Steve wanted to take us to a place where he spends a lot of his time out in the woods alone. The dense trees finally gave way to the edge of a marsh where Steve likes to go duck hunting. It was breathtaking. Vibrant green grass jetting up towards the sky covered the landscape while a still pond, filled with lilies, reflected the blue sky wherever there was space. Dense forest surrounded us, and as we made our way along the border of the marsh towards the pond, we soon



See A CELL PHONE page 11

A CELL PHONE'S ring in the MIDDLE OF A FOREST beckons reporter BACK TO THE CITY

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discovered why they call these wetlands. Solid earth gave way under our feet (well, not Steve's feet, he's not nearly as goofy prone as Erik and I) and soon we found ourselves ankle deep in mud! And things were going so well too!

Once again I made a mental parallel to the huge variety of mucky, gooey and mysterious substances that await my return to city sidewalks as I yanked my foot from the briny marsh floor. Then my cell phone rang. Again I feared for my life.

Rotating the compass 180°, we reversed our bearing to north and began our navigation home (we really didn't need to, Steve knew exactly where we were). Taking one last look at the scenery, we made our way through the woods, back to the open fields of grass and berries where Erik found a single deer antler shed from a buck Steve said gave him the slip last season. Maybe if Erik can put a lid on the slapstick routine for a few hours, Steve might show him how to bag one. As for me, the only bagging I'll be doing will be at the grocery store, surrounded

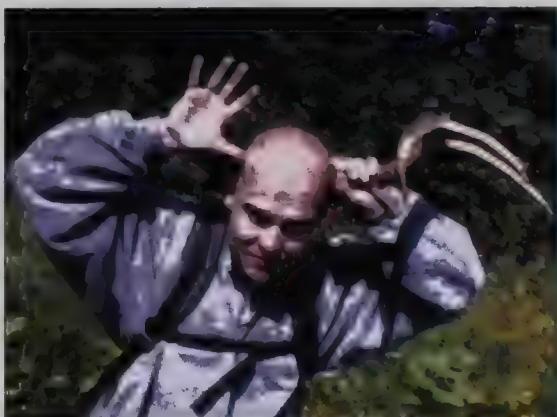
by nameless people who will have never read of Erik and Derek's Misadventures - ho hum.

Stuffed to the gills from a delicious lunch prepared once again by the lovely Carol, the weaning process continued, and the giant hand of Toronto grabbed

me by the scruff and pulled me hither. The phone calls from my darling girlfriend (I need all the brownie points I can get) out in the wilderness were preparations for the biggest contrast I believe one person can have in a day. I woke up at the crack of dawn, fished peacefully, communed with nature, breathed the fresh Halibu-

ron air... and ended my night surrounded by pyrotechnics, fireworks, cell phones, thousands of people, and the hard loud music of the American Bad Ass himself - Kid Rock. If that's not contrast, I don't know what is.

Once a city boy, always a city boy I guess, but for three and a half glorious months of my life, I experienced the beauty, tranquility and community of the wonderful country known as Haliburton County. Thanks.



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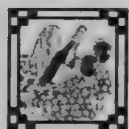
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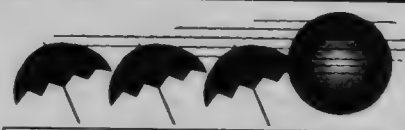
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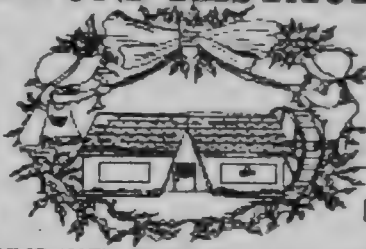
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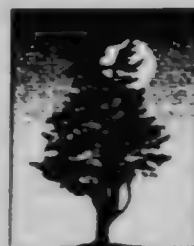
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KIDS' COUNTY

WHEN I START PLANNING my columns in April and May, I guess I think the summer is a lot longer than it really is. Here it is now with only three weeks left and I haven't told you about half of the books I wanted to share with you. Where did the time go?

I have had so many positive comments on my columns this year and even a few phone calls. One in particular, gave me the idea for today's article. It was suggested that I could perhaps give a list of good children's books that people could keep on hand for those birthdays, sweetheart days and morale boosters that crop up throughout the year. So here are a few of my favourite Canadian (of course!) kids books for a variety of ages and maybe they'll become some of your faves as well. Happy reading!

The Stone Boat by Teddy Jam
with pictures by Ange Zhang
Published by Greenwood Books \$15.95 HC

This lovely book is by the late Matt Cohen, also known as Teddy Jam when writing for children. It is the story of a very large man, two young boys and how an uncommonly brave act managed to change the attitudes of many people. This story is filled with suspense along with a very apt description of a how a young boy views the struggles of his family's life in hard times. The pictures are beautifully painted and compliment this story about the coming-of-age of a boy while working on a Stone Boat.

Sarah May and the New Red Dress
by Andrea Spalding and Janet Wilson
Published by Orca Books \$17.95 HC

A sweet book about a young girl with a free and flying spirit like that of the red dress she so desperately wants. Her father thinks navy blue would be more practical but sometimes you just don't have any control

over the colours in your life.

The Many Hats of Mr. Minches
by Paulette Bourgeois and Kathryn Naylor
Published by Stoddart \$15.95

Something a little different from the author of all of those Franklin books. This is the charming story of a little girl who meets up with a funny couple and their amazing trunk of hats. This story is proof that the hat really does make the person!

Dirty Dog Boogie by Loris Lesynski
Published by Annick Press Ltd. \$6.95

This poetry for kids really rocks. Loris Lesynski wrote and illustrated this hilarious collection of poems that is sure to make you and the kids want to rhyme every word you hear. It is playful, silly and a ton of fun. A great way to get kids interested in a lost art. Lesynski makes it easy to "always keep a bit of boogie going in your head!"

The Stevie Diamond Mysteries by Linda Bailey
Published by Kids Can Press \$4.95 each

These are a great Canadian alternative to Nancy Drew. Stevie Diamond is a young female detective who, along with her friend Jesse, gets into some hair-raising situations that require some real powers of deduction. There are six books, so far, in this series and each one has humour, suspense and the inimitable Stevie Diamond, girl detective on the case.

The Forest Family
by Joan Bodger
Published by Tundra Books \$18.99 HC

Another lovely book by the author of *Clever Lazy*. This time, Bodger uses her talents of storytelling in this part love story, fairy tale and fable about a family of strong and powerful women. The war that threatens the

family of Sylvania and Bernardo, people of the Forest, only makes them stronger in the end. This is a great story for reading aloud or having read to you.

The Low Life by Brian Doyle
Published by Greenwood Books \$24.95 HC

What a treat! My favourite Canadian author with a whole collection of stories in one book. Brian Doyle's five stories of Ottawa and the Valley come to life published in a fresh new edition. Doyle's own brand of irreverence, mixed with historical fact, landmarks and wonderful stories full of characters that make you laugh as hard as you cry make this a must have. Long live Brian Doyle.

High Flight: A Story of World War II
by Linda Granfield
with illustrations by Michael Martchenko
Published by Tundra Books \$18.99 HC

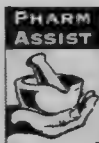
This is the story of World War II and John Gillespie Magee Jr. who wrote the often quoted "Oh! I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth and danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings." Magee was only 19 years old when he died as a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force flying over Britain. It is a moving account of bravery, life in a different era and a love of flying. It is also a means to remember those who were so important to making us who we are today.

Too Young to Fight compiled by Priscilla Galloway
Published by Stoddart

This book is what we at our house call "a special book". I am, for those who don't already know, passionate about remembering our war veterans and all they did for us. The stories in this book should be read aloud to school children everywhere to remind them of how lucky we are and why. This collection of stories by Roch Carriere, Brian Doyle, Priscilla Galloway, Budge Wilson and many other great authors brings war time to life because they were there. These are their memories and how it felt to be a kid when war was happening. It is sobering, funny and very moving and I think it should be shared with all kids, young and old.

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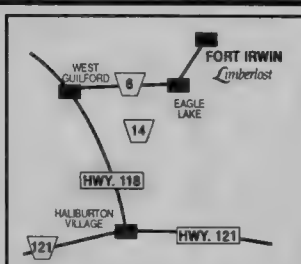
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A trip to Tuscany

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SUMMER CHEF

Recipes and Book Review
Rustic Italian Cooking by Kathleen Sloan
Published by Robert Rose \$19.95

KATHLEEN SLOAN is an amazing cook. Last year I reviewed *The Global Grill* by Ms. Sloan, a book which I use faithfully every week summer and winter. When the people at Robert Rose, my favourite cookbook publisher, told me about her book entitled, *Rustic Italian Cooking*, I knew it would be great and I was right.

This is a book for those of us who would love to go to Tuscany but just can't quite afford it so we'll cook as though we're there anyhow.

There is so much more to the flavours of Italy than many of us know and Sloan shows them all off to us. Of course, she tells us what is essential for the rustic kitchen, ingredients like fabulous plum tomatoes and pancetta (Italian bacon), porcini (mushrooms). As with anything, great ingredients make for an even better finished product.

Something I like is that Sloan tells all of the food names in Italian so we feel "Oh so continental" when we announce that we are having "Manzo Stufato al Barolo" which is, in English, Beef Pot Roast in wine.

The food in this book is very basic but is full of flavours. Garlic is prevalent in most recipes as is good wine and fresh herbs, but I believe that is why the recipes are so good. The Saltimbocca (Veal Scallops in Sage) melts in your mouth and the Risotto Primavera could become my new addiction.

I like this book because it is simple and uncomplicated but concentrated with recipes full of fresh, savoury flavours that perk up our dormant taste buds. Cooking from this book is, as Kathleen

Sloan strives for, simple and relaxing and a joy. The results are always pleasing and really, to be fully appreciated, should be shared with good friends and fine wine. Rustic Italian Cooking by Kathleen Sloan is a taste of Tuscany we all can enjoy.

POLENTA CON FONDUTA (POLENTA WITH FONTINA)

2 cups milk
1 tbsp unsalted butter
1 tbsp coarse salt
1 1/2 cup Italian polenta
8 oz Italian fontina cheese, shredded
2 cups grated Parmigiano-Reggiano
1 cup whipping cream

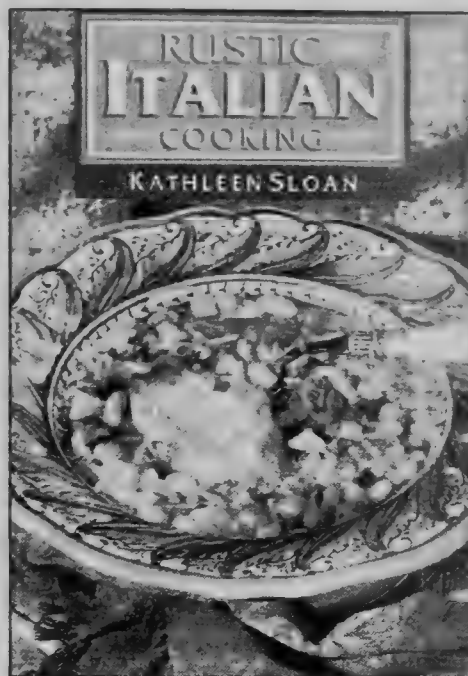
In a large heavy-bottomed saucepan, bring milk and 2 cups water to a boil over medium high heat. Stir in butter and salt. Reduce heat to low; add polenta in a slow, thin stream, whisking constantly. With a wooden spoon, stir every minute or so until the mixture pulls away from the sides of the pan in one mass. (Depending on coarseness of polenta, this will take from 5 to 20 minutes.)

Stir in fontina and Parmigiano-Reggiano; continue to cook, stirring until cheese is incorporated. Stir in cream; cook, stirring until mixture is heated through and smooth. Serve immediately.

POLLO WITH SALVIA (CHICKEN WITH SAGE)

This is heaven on a plate!

2 tbsp butter
1/2 cup olive oil
1 chicken (about 4 to 5 lbs, cut into parts or equivalent weight of pre-cut pieces)
1 1/2 cups dry white wine



24 sage leaves chopped
1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper
In a large skillet, melt butter over medium-high heat. Add olive oil and stir to blend. Add chicken pieces, in batches

If necessary, and cook until they are golden on all sides. Drain all but 1/2 cup of fat.

Return all chicken pieces to the pan, nestling them together in a single layer. Pour wine over chicken; increase heat and bring to a gentle boil. Cook for about 5 to 10 minutes.

Add sage, salt and pepper. Turn chicken pieces over to cover them with the sage, shaking the pan a little to help them to nestle down. Reduce heat to low, cover loosely and let it gently bubble away until chicken is cooked through and very tender, about 45 minutes. (Turn

the pieces over periodically and check to make sure the liquid is not evaporating too quickly; if it is, add a little water.) Serve immediately.

GNOCCHI DI RICOTTA (RICOTTA GNOCCHI)

Pillows of Delight!

1 lb fresh ricotta
2 eggs
2 egg yolks
Pinch of salt
1/2 cup grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
1 1/2 cups all purpose flour (approximate)
melted butter
freshly ground black pepper

Place ricotta in a sieve and set it over a bowl. Let stand for a few minutes in ricotta is quite wet. Discard liquids and wipe bowl clean. In a bowl, using a wooden spoon, stir together drained ricotta, eggs, egg yolks, salt and half of the Parmigiano cheese until well-mixed. Stir in one cup of the flour, 1 cup at a time. Stir in enough of the remaining flour to make a firm but soft dough.

Using a 1 tbsp measuring spoon, portion out dough and shape into small dumplings, more oval than round. Place on a large baking sheet lined with waxed paper, spacing them apart so they don't stick to each other.

In a large pot of lightly salted boiling water, cook gnocchi in batches of a dozen at a time for 5 minutes or until gnocchi bob to surface of water and are no longer starchy tasting. Remove with a slotted spoon to a warm serving dish. melted butter and sprinkle with remaining cheese and lots of freshly ground black pepper. Serve immediately.

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HIGHLANDS LIFE

With the help of the Timber Framers Guild of North America and lots of community support, Kinmount plans to restore the old Austin mill on the Burnt River



A Mill Reborn

THE AUSTIN SAWMILL restoration project is slowly moving down the chute, on its way to the first cut after a couple of breakthroughs in the past year.

Last summer, the Timber Framers Guild of North America took a walk through the dilapidated old mill on the

shores of the Burnt River in Kinmount to see if it was worth the effort of restoring. Even with its shifting and cracked rubble-covered wooden floors, the Guild decided that this piece of the region's history is in fact worth holding onto.

The mill was late in being named an

official heritage site therefore missing the window of opportunity to apply for provincial Millennium funding for the restoration. As of May 31, it was finally given an official heritage designation, and although it's too late to apply for the Millennium funding, the Timber Framers Guild views it as a mere setback.

"We're seeking other grant sources," says Diane Austin, chairperson of the Kinmount committee for planning and economic development. "Hopefully we'll be successful."

Since last August, when *The Haliburton County Echo* first reported on the project, Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) approved a grant for \$80,000 to pay for the shoreline stabilization and cleanup, and the architectural fees for conceptual drawings and blueprints that have already been completed. The site recently passed its environmental assessment, and this week a team will be going to the site to begin tearing down the old planing mill which hasn't been operational for 20 years.

"We hope to have the sawmill put back in operation for demonstration purposes, and to preserve our own heritage," Austin said. To achieve that goal, the project needs to raise over \$200,000 "to get us off the ground."

Not only will the restoration ensure the preservation of what was once a major employer in the area, it will once again provide jobs, boost the economy and increase tourism to the area that already has a lot to offer.

"This Heritage site encompasses the Kinmount Heritage Park," says Austin. On the site, not including the sawmill, is the old CN railway station which offers tourist information and a miniature operating replica of the area's railway line, and the newly added Icelandic settlers monument which has provincial designation as a heritage site.

Since its opening in 1995, over \$150,000 has been put into the park land which is constantly being enhanced. "We're in good stead down there," says Austin. Good stead indeed.

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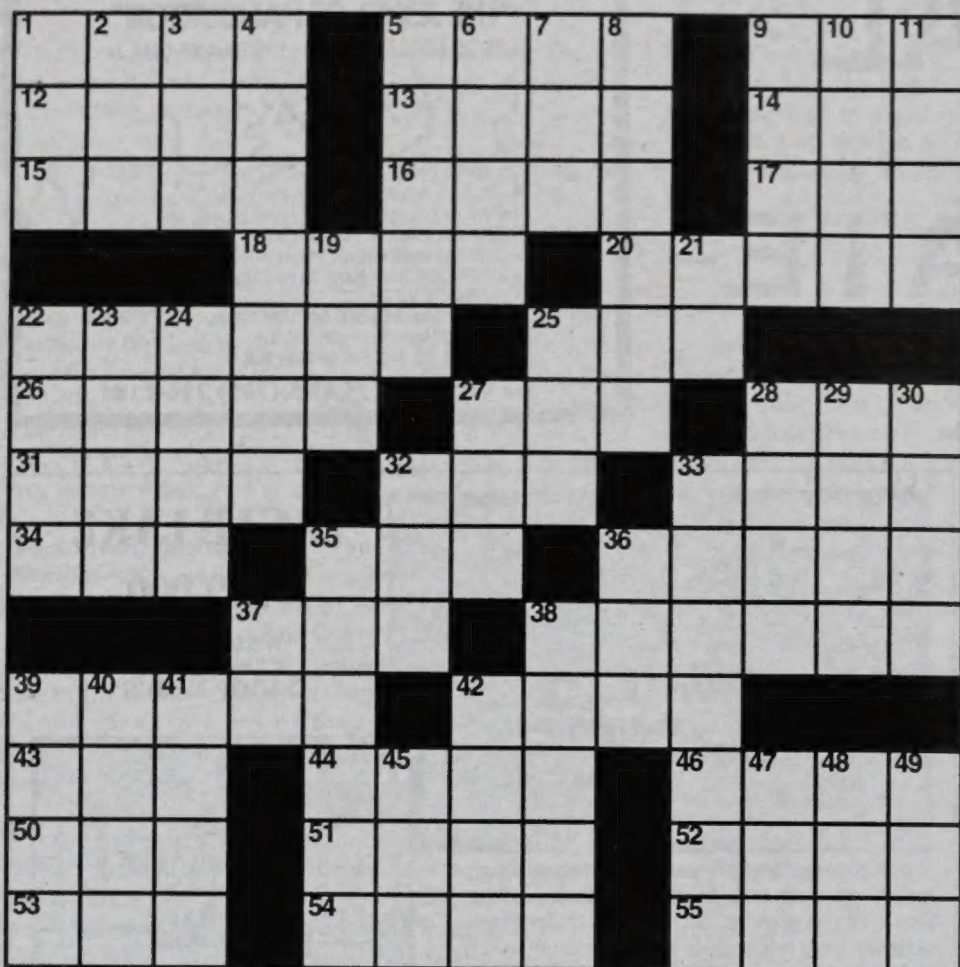
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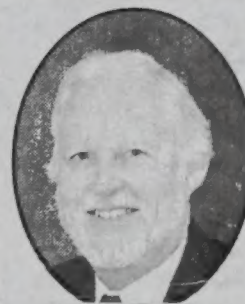
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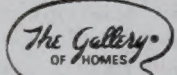
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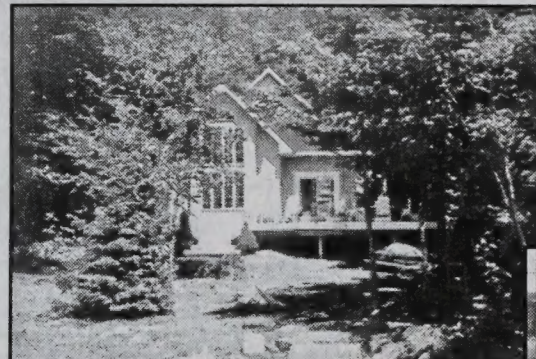
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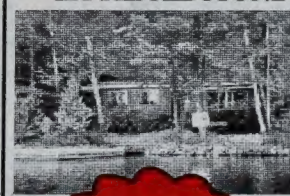
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WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT window treatments and options available today, how do you choose which one will best suit your home, your family and your pocketbook?

Keep in mind that windows serve as a home's visual link to the outside world and that they are the primary sources of natural light in a home. Begin by deciding how you want your windows to function and how they must fit your lifestyle and the room decor. Do you want to let in air and light into your home? How important is privacy? What kind of a view do you want to present from the outside?

For a fresh, clean look

Windows that reveal a pleasant view usually call for minimal coverings that can be easily adjusted to allow for privacy. When you need light, but have only the neighbour's brick wall next door to look at, consider hanging a number of plants or pieces of ornamental stained glass in front of the window. You will be adding a big dose of warmth and depth at very little cost.

The advantage of shutters

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Blinds can be either vertical or venetian (horizontal),

come in a wide variety of styles and materials, are great for larger windows and sliding doors and very affordable compared to some other window coverings.

The slats on vertical blinds open and close on a track system, providing an excellent way to control light and privacy. Because they come in a multitude of colours and textures, they're easy to co-ordinate with a room's decor or colour scheme.

Often the preferred choice of many homeowners today because of their reasonable cost and versatility are the horizontal or venetian blinds. These come in a variety of colours and materials, such as plastic, aluminum and wood. They work well in any room and on any window. The slats, whether they are micro (half an inch), mini (one inch), or macro (two inches), can be tilted to control the amount of light, even in a down position. Most are controlled by hand, but some remote control systems are available on the market - great for hard-to-reach windows!

Also popular these days are roller blades. New technology has made shades stylish and easy to manage. Some now include a chain mechanism with a built-in lock that you operate with a chain, eliminating the need for a spring in the roller. That means no more yanking and snapping. Roller shades also come in new materials that allow light to come in while filtering out ultraviolet rays.

With styles available in energy-efficient, permanently-pleated fabrics, a wide selection of colours and textures, shades and blinds have definitely made a comeback in homes.

Draperies, sheers and valances

Soft-flowing sheers are delicate, romantic and as popular as ever. Today, many come in 100 percent polyester, making them washable and easy to care for. Sheers look great with valances or toppers made out of practically any fabric or style. They're great for dining rooms and classic, traditional areas.

Drapes remain bold and beautiful. You can drape an

entire wall to hide all the imperfections, or just a window in a wide variety of ways. Popular today are wrought iron and wood accessories, tie-backs, tassels and trimmings, which can turn a simple drape into a work of art.

Trends

The trend today leans to serene, relaxing colours in window coverings with a dash of brighter splashes. Many homeowners are creating bold, new looks with balloon curtains, pleated and bamboo shades, shutters and drapes. The clean look of blinds is increasingly popular, as are styles that offer privacy and let in a lot of natural light.

Answers to puzzle on page 17

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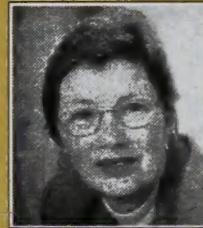
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ONE OF A KIND!

Prestigious Drag Lake, 160' frontage west exposure, gorgeous lot & view, fabulous 4 bedroom home! **\$439,000.**

Call Derrell & Kim



GET OUT OF TOWN!

This great three bedroom getaway has year round access, good swimming & canoeing. Could be year round home. **\$76,900.**

Call Drew



PEACE & QUIET!

Well maintained hide-a-way with open living space, 2 bedroom, hardwood floors, huge deck and great view. On good fishing lake. **\$99,900.**

Call Ruth



FULLY EQUIPPED!

Charming open concept 3 bdrm cottage w/ large living area, good swimming, lovely perennial gardens, large storage building & great view of beautiful Kashagawigamog Lk. Only **\$134,900.**

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FARQUHAR LAKE

Excellent 3 bdrm. cottage w/ 105 ft. of frontage on a small quiet bay. Private & close to town. Many upgrades & year round access. **\$128,700.**

Call Wilfred



FAMILY SPACE

4 bedroom, 2 baths, large rooms with flair, hardwood floors, lots of pine, with location too! **\$119,900.**

Call Ruth



FIRST TIME BUYERS!

Heads up! This fabulous private cottage has three bedrooms, open living dining area and great bathroom. Only **\$86,500.**

Call Drew



DRAG LAKE

Excellent 3 bdrm. cottage, very neat & clean with lots of pine. Fully winterized, great view of lake. Good value! **\$124,900.**

Call Erin



PICTURE THIS!

320 ft. of south exposure, screened porch, vaulted ceilings, sauna, two lake chain, all with a fantastic view. Asking **\$124,900.**

Call Drew



PEACE & TRANQUILITY!

Very neat & clean two bedroom cottage on quiet no motor lake. Southern exposure, elevated lot with a great view. Large deck, great for entertaining. Only **\$86,900.**

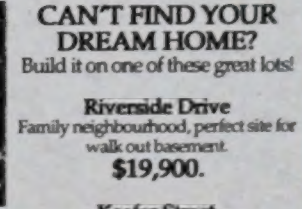
Call Erin



KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE!

Great two bedroom starter cottage with 102 ft. of frontage on a 5 lake chain. Priced to sell, only **\$89,900.**

Call Wilfred



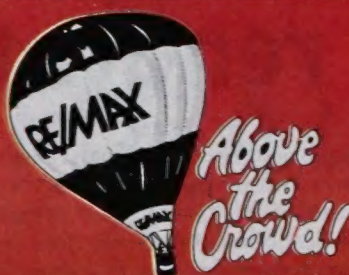
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Build it on one of these great lots!
Riverside Drive
Family neighbourhood, perfect site for walk out basement. **\$19,900.**
Keefer Street
Quiet & private area, well treed lots in small, medium & large from **\$19,900.**
George St.
Level town lot with sewer hook up available **\$21,000.**

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BENOIR LAKE

Affordable 2 bdrm, woodstove, open concept, pine decor, new roof & windows. Neat & tidy. R.O.W. path to level sand beach & dock. **\$54,500.** Call Laurel McCauley



STARTER HOME

Renovated 3 bedroom home with view of Halls Lake. Asking **\$59,000** Call Erwin Roithmeier



STARTER HOME

Neat & tidy home, private setting. 12.5 acres, garage is wired and has concrete floor. **\$64,500.** Call Erwin Roithmeier



SHARON LAKE

Charming 3 bedroom cottage on a level private lot. Quiet, motorless lake. 4 season access. A pleasure to show. Call now for all the info. **\$74,900.** Call Rick Lowes



CLOSE TO HALIBURTON

Well maintained 3 bdrm home. Pine kitchen, w/o living rm, new deck. View of Paradise Lake. New flooring throughout. Main floor laundry. F.A.O. **\$79,000** Call Ted Vasey



PERFECT RETIREMENT

Or 1st time buyer home. Finished rec room, huge LR & sunken DR/Kit. adds character. Level lot and private. **\$79,900.** Call Vince Duchene

MOUNTAIN LAKE

Priced to sell!

NOW \$89,500.

Great little 2 bedroom starter cottage. Nicely treed lot with 115 feet of waterfront. Great swimming. Good shoreline and an awesome big lake view with direct western exposure. Excellent two lake chain. Needs some T.L.C. Was **\$99,500.** now **\$89,500.** Call Bill Kulas.



KENNISIS LAKE

West north west splendid view is what this building lot with an 8x20 bunkie & a drilled well, w driveway & woodshed is offering. Well treed. **\$99,700** Call Cathy Lancia



LITTLE BOB LK

Modern, open concept, 10 years new. Large deck, skylights, very private 1 acre lot, 120 feet of waterfront. Full septic, drilled well, fully furnished. Vendor says sell! **\$108,500.** Call Bill Kulas



REDUCED \$10,900 NOW \$109,000

On lovely Gull Lake. Boating to Minden, 4 season access. Block foundation, great shoreline, western sunsets, steeply sloping. Opportunity to get on Gull Lake at a bargain price. Call Norm Harrison



CARNARVON HOME

Two bedroom starter home located on a nicely treed lot close to all amenities. Full unfinished basement. Cedar siding. Only 1 year new. **\$118,000.** Call Julie Gray



MINDEN HOME

3 bedroom brick, in town home. Town water & sewers, well landscaped. **\$124,500.** Call Bill Payne



\$149,450

NORTH KASH RD.

3 bedroom home. Paved driveway backs onto PineStone golf course. Large family/party room has dock on lake. Call Robert Heinze



ILLMAN ROAD

spacious, open concept, 1344 sq ft pine kitchen & dining area, pine floors & broadloom, 4 bdrms, w/o basement, fireplace in family room. Close to Haliburton. **\$139,000** Call Ted Vasey



\$129,450

Very comfortable 3 bedroom cottage. Sit back & enjoy a fantastic view from ample decking. Great swimming. Call Robert Heinze.



NEW LISTING LITTLE BOB LAKE

Minutes to Minden, 3 bdrm cottage/home with drilled well, septic, full basement, yr. rnd access, walkout living room to large deck. **\$129,900.** Call Melanie Vigrass



BEECH LAKE

Spacious 3 bdrm all brick ranch style bungalow. Full basement, 2 car attached garage, fireplace, sunroom, landscaped lot w access at rear to Beech Lake. **\$129,500.** Call Bill Kulas



TROOPER LAKE BEAUTY

Fabulous 518' shoreline, s/w exposure, 4 bedrooms, 2 fireplaces, workshop & garage. **REDUCED NOW \$156,900** Call Tom & Gail Tempest



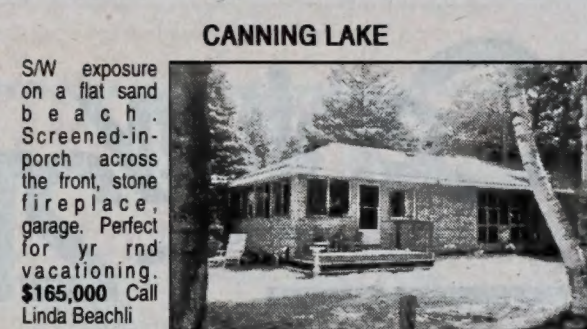
PIGEON LAKE

Beautifully renovated winterized 3 bedroom cottage facing west with safe sand beach, party size deck. Inside drywall with pine & carpeted. **\$159,500.** Call Fred Gardner



HORSESHOE LAKE

3 bedroom cottage on level lot with sand frontage on 2 lake chain. New roof, screened sun porch & walkout to new deck. **\$164,900.** Call Julie Gray



CANNING LAKE

S/W exposure on a flat sand beach. Screened-in porch across the front, stone fireplace, garage. Perfect for yr rnd vacationing. **\$165,000** Call Linda Beachli



PICTURE PERFECT

This 2 bedroom cottage was recently rebuilt. It has a sloped driveway, then level to the lake. 9 acres attached. 96 ft frontage on Little Redstone Lake. **\$169,700.** Call Cathy Lancia



MAPLE LAKE

Large home on a spacious lot w 161 ft frontage on Maple Lake across the road. Awesome view. Rooftop deck above the attached garage. **\$174,900.** Call Ken Barry



BOSHKUNG LAKE AREA

New price. 3 bedroom, immaculate brick/stone home, 1560 sq ft of luxury living. 1500 sq ft barn. Yr round highway. Well maintained. **\$184,900.** Call Bill Payne



NEW LISTING

3 bdrm cottage close to town. Sand shoreline, 5 lake chain. West exp. Cedar ext, fpl, drilled well, septic system. Year round road. **\$189,900.** Call Troy and Linda



SIR SAMS VILLAGE RD

Spiral oak staircase 3 level custom built home/chalet forest setting, 2 minutes from ski hill or Eagle Lake public beach. **\$199,000** Call Rosalind Bagg



EXECUTIVE HOME ON 25 ACRES

Large custom built home with lots of extras including a large garage and workshop. Centrally located. **\$199,900.** Call Rick Lowes



BURDOCK LAKE

Privacy plus. 1550 frontage with beautiful point, Newly finished cottage or home with full basement. Nice view with beautiful sunsets. **\$269,900.** Call Ken Barry



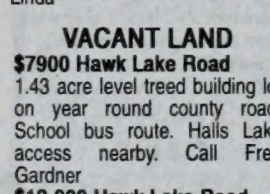
MOOSE LAKE

All season, 3 bdrm, 2 baths, stunning lake view. Landscaped lot. Tasteful decor. Quality finished. **\$288,574.** Call Vince Duchene



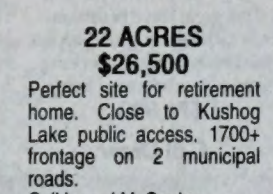
HEAD LAKE LAXTON TWP

250 ft of waterfront, 1/2 hr form Orillia. 3 bedroom backsplit, fireplace, 1200 sq ft. **\$289,000.** Call Rosalind Bagg



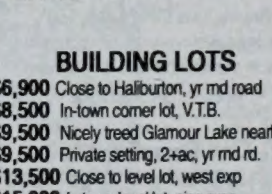
VACANT LAND

\$7900 Hawk Lake Road 1.43 acre level treed building lot on year round county road. School bus route. Halls Lake access nearby. Call Fred Gardner
\$12,000 Hawk Lake Road 165'x275', 1.04 acre level, treed, south facing building lot on year round county road. Driveway entrance in. School bus route. Halls Lake access nearby. Call Fred Gardner.



22 ACRES \$26,500

Perfect site for retirement home. Close to Kushog Lake public access. 1700+ frontage on 2 municipal roads. Call Laurel McCauley



BUILDING LOTS

\$6,900 Close to Haliburton, yr rnd road
\$8,500 In-town corner lot, V.T.B.
\$9,500 Nicely treed Glamour Lake nearby
\$9,500 Private setting, 2+ac, yr rnd rd.
\$13,500 Close to level lot, west exp
\$15,000 In town level lot, nice area
\$15,000 Nicely treed, ROW to Miskwabi Lk
Call Troy and Linda

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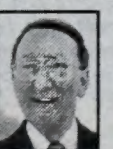
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